


Purpose: Ascension School Board	President: Sean Murphy	Secretary: Kristin Jansen
	Meeting Date: August 2, 2017	

The **Vision** of the Ascension staff is to foster a Catholic community that models Jesus' teaching at home, school and in our community. We strive to ensure an academic program of excellence, which challenges each student to achieve his/her maximum potential. Our goal is to expand student involvement in global issues, technology, foreign language, and cultural programs.

Living Faith	We achieve through sustained prayer and faith-filled interaction with each other that marks us as Ascension.
Embracing Community	We achieve through active participation in service to our parish, neighborhood, metro areas and global community.
Encouraging Opportunity	We achieve through activities, whether in traditional or community classroom, to enhance ways in which students learn so they can continue to be life-long learners.
Respecting Giftedness	We achieve by providing a level of instruction to challenge students to extend beyond the basics to maximize their potential in their areas of strength.
Celebrating Excellence	We achieve through recognition of student accomplishments and alumni that say, "Well done!"

In Attendance: Terry Mullaney, Sean Murphy, Helen Walter, Kristin Jansen, Cheryl DelVisco, Stacie Hartlage, Jason Lewis, Matt Henson, Mary Peckenpaugh

	Topic	Presenter	Discussion, Assignment and Responsibilities	Follow-Up
	Approval of Minutes	Sean Murphy	Via email	
Living Faith	Opening Prayer	Sean Murphy	Prayer led by Sean Murphy	

	Athletic Fee	Sean Murphy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed athletic fee • \$100 per child for all sports throughout year • \$150 maximum for families with more than one child • \$50 for JK and K students 	
Embracing Community	Sense of Community	Stacie Hartlage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed ways to continue sense of community among parents 	
	Back-to-School Mass & Dinner	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday, August 12th • Mass at 4:00pm • Chicken dinner immediately following 	
	Camps & Parent Orientation	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday, August 10th • 3's, JK, Kindergarten camps, 3:00-5:00pm • 3's, JK, K, 1st: Parent Orientation at 5:00pm 	

	Back to School Meetings	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday, August 14th in Church 5:30pm: 2nd-5th grades 6:35pm: 6th-8th grades 	
Celebrating Excellence	Accreditation Visit	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday, November 15th 	
	Open House	Terry Mullaney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday, October 24th 	
	Next Meeting	Sean Murphy	Wednesday, September 20th, 2017 @ 6:00 PM	

Mission: As a vital ministry of the Church of the Ascension, our school's mission is to recognize the uniqueness of all students in a caring, disciplined environment that exemplifies Christ's command to serve one another. Ascension School fosters excellence in academics and promotes spiritual, intellectual, emotional, and physical growth of the whole child.

The faculty, supported by the parish staff, School Board, and Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), recognizes that students must be prepared to meet challenges of an ever changing world and to live cooperatively as critical thinkers and problem solvers in a global society. Love of GOD, human dignity, justice, ecumenism, service to others, stewardship, and excellence are among the values lived.